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SUBJECT: ESTONIA: CONDEMN PKK USE OF VIOLENCE

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¶1. (SBU) On October 29, Polecoff met with Kadri Jogi, Middle East Desk Officer and Annilee Poolekese, Terrorism and Cyber Security Desk Officer to discuss reftel. According to Jogi, the Government of Estonia (GOE) strongly condemns PKK activities, in particular those which have resulted in the deaths of Turkish military personnel. Within the framework of the EU, the GOE has emphasized the need for the Government of Turkey (GOT) and the Government of Iraq (GOI) to reach a diplomatic, non-military solution to this issue. The GOE would like to see the GOI (specifically Kurdistan) take more measures to halt the PKK's armed military activities and to secure a peaceful border with Turkey. Jogi emphasized the GOE's position that EU member states should not support organizations which use military methods to achieve political goals.

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